

**MINUTES**  
**STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES**  
**January 19, 2007**

The regular meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held on Friday, January 19, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., at the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges Board Room, 3825 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, Mississippi.

**Members present:** Mr. Chip Crane, Mrs. Patricia (Pat) Dickens, Mr. Henry (Bubba) Hudspeth, Mr. Bruce Martin, Mr. Napoleon Moore, Dr. Dorothy Nelson, Mr. Ed Perry, Mr. Henry Thomas and Mr. George Walker. Mrs. Brenda Yonge participated via telephone.

**Staff in attendance:** Dr. Wayne Stonecypher, Dr. Randall Bradberry, Mrs. Deborah Gilbert, Mr. Michael Heindl, Mr. Ray Smith and Mrs. Denise Walley.

**Guests in attendance:** Dr. Reginald (Reggie) Sykes – Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL); Mr. Rick Youngblood – Jones County Junior College; Mr. Larry Otis, Mr. George Schloegel, Dr. Mimmo Parisi, Ms. Dusty Hinton and Mr. Les Range – Representatives for the State Workforce Investment Board (SWIB).

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. George Walker called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

**PRELIMINARIES**

Mr. Napoleon Moore gave the invocation.

**Approval of the Minutes of the December 14-15, 2006, Meetings**

Upon a motion by Mr. Bubba Hudspeth and a second by Mr. Henry Thomas, the Board **voted unanimously** to approve the minutes of the December 14-15, 2006, meetings.

**Review and Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Walker requested that the agenda be adjusted to move the SWIB presentation to first on the list of reports. Upon a motion by Mr. Bubba Hudspeth and a second by Mr. Ed Perry, the Board **voted unanimously** to approve the adjustment to the agenda.

**REPORTS/ACTION**

**State Workforce Investment Board (SWIB) Presentation**

Mr. George Schloegel, Chairman of the State Workforce Investment Board, began by identifying the Workforce Partners: The Mississippi Department of Employment Security, the Mississippi Department of Corrections, the Mississippi Department of Human Services, the Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services, the Mississippi Department of Education, and the Mississippi Community and Junior Colleges.

Mr. Larry Otis, Committee Chairman of the Integrated Workforce Performance System, gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding performance measures, focusing on the percentages of

trainees that get jobs, retain jobs, and later advance to better jobs with better pay. A hardcopy and CD of the PowerPoint presentation is included as "Exhibit F".

### **Executive Director's Report**

Dr. Stonecypher began by directing the Board attention to "Exhibit D", the Executive Summary of PEER's findings titled, *A Limited Management Review of the Greenville Higher Education Center*.

Another PEER review Executive Summary, shown as "Exhibit E", concerns *A Review of the Medical Clinics at Mississippi's Universities and Community and Junior Colleges*.

Confirmations for four of the Board Members: Mr. Henry (Bubba) Hudspeth, Mr. Bruce Martin, Mr. Henry Thomas and Mr. Ed Perry, will be coming up during this legislative session. In addition, Mr. Walker will have a confirmation hearing related to his appointment to serve on the Board for the Mississippi Industries for the Blind. A date and time has not been set for the confirmations.

Dr. Stonecypher reported that Dr. Jason Pugh's father is extremely ill and asked that the Board remember him and his family in prayer. Also, Dr. David Cole's wife underwent heart surgery recently. She is now home and recovering gradually.

Dr. Stonecypher mentioned recent legislative activities that will be discussed during Dr. Bradberry's report, later in the meeting. He announced that the Governor has recently named Dr. Johnny Franklin as his Education Policy Advisor.

Final arrangements were discussed regarding the February Board meeting in Natchez.

Dr. Stonecypher stated that Dr. Bill Smith with IHL has announced his retirement, effective this month.

Dr. Reggie Sykes presented a handout regarding transfer students from community colleges to the universities; see "Exhibit H". He stated that two (2) of the universities are hosting articulation meetings: the University of Southern Mississippi (USM) will meet on January 26, and Mississippi State University (MSU) will meet on January 31. He reported Mississippi University for Women (MUW) will be visiting several community college campuses in the near future to attract PTK winners to its institution.

### **MACJC Report**

Dr. David Cole reported via the Community College Network (CCN).

Dr. Cole stated that the Association is considering supporting special needs shelters for home-bound patients. The State Health Department would like to partner with the community colleges to promote the idea of building a facility at selected colleges for use during the events of emergency.

A presentation was also given by a representative from Franklin University. Franklin is based in Columbus, Ohio, and offers students at two-year colleges the opportunity to complete a bachelor's degree in a format that fits their career and lifestyle needs, by accepting more hours completed at the community colleges (255-315, depending on the major) and by taking classes on-line.

Representative Johnny Stringer contacted Dr. Phil Sutphin proposing that the community colleges that offer Carpentry Programs consider building cottages for Katrina victims on the Coast. There are currently seven (7) community colleges that offer this program and it was unanimously agreed upon by the Association to form a task force to work with Representative Stringer to determine the cost of building and shipping the cottages to the coastal area. Dr. Sutphin and Dr. Jesse Smith, who both have construction programs on their campuses, have been asked to chair the committee.

Dr. Garner is working to establish a Mississippi Community and Junior College Sports Hall of Fame to honor outstanding athletes who participated in community college athletics. The Association will consider adopting the proposal at their annual Athletic Meeting that will be held in conjunction with their January meeting.

### **Career and Technical Report**

Dr. Stonecypher and Mr. Michael Heindl reviewed a summary of proposed changes to the *Mississippi Postsecondary Curriculum Frameworks*, shown as "Exhibit A". Each program revision was reviewed with input from local district personnel and business and industry collaborators. Postsecondary curricula will be approved for implementation in the 2007-2008 school year and must be implemented by July 1, 2008. Each program curricula can be viewed on the SBCJC website under the Career / Technical Division section.

Upon a motion by Mr. Bubba Hudspeth and a second by Mr. Henry Thomas, the Board **voted unanimously** to submit the proposed changes of the *Mississippi Postsecondary Curriculum Frameworks* document for review in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act.

### **Workforce Report**

Mr. Walker made comments regarding the PEER Executive Summary on the Greenville Higher Education Center (Exhibit D). He directed the Board's attention to "Exhibit B", which displays current workforce grant activities and the budget report for FY 2007.

### **Accountability and Technology Report**

Mr. Ray Smith reported on the activities at EdNet. One project that is being considered relates to Jones County Junior College using EdNet Technology to connect the citizens of their local area and surrounding towns to the internet via college's network.

An additional request for location of classes for Spring 2007 was discussed, and is shown as "Exhibit C". Upon a motion by Mrs. Pat Dickens and a second by Mr. Napoleon Moore, the Board **voted unanimously** to approve the requested location made by Coahoma Community College.

### **Program Report**

Dr. Bradberry reported that the **Commission on Proprietary Schools and College Registration (CPSCR)** last met on January 9, 2007. The Commission approved two (2) new registration applications; two (2) renewals; seven (7) new programs; 66 new instructors; 10 new agent permits; and has collected \$39,642.88 for FY07 in fees. There are presently 44 schools registered (28 in-state/16 out-of-state).

### Legislative Report

Dr. Bradberry provided a list of bills that are currently being tracked by the SBCJC office; see "Exhibit G". Senate Nomination 1 announces the appointment of Mr. Walker to the Mississippi Industries for the Blind, and Senate Nominations 21, 27, 38 and 46 announce appointments of Mr. Hudspeth, Mr. Martin, Mr. Perry and Mr. Thomas to the SBCJC. Dates of confirmations have not been given at this time. Dr. Bradberry reviewed several of the bills and stated that the majority of the bills would drop off the list (due to inactivity by the legislators) on January 30, 2007.

### Finance Report

Mrs. Deborah Gilbert presented the items on the Finance Agenda as follows:

Upon a motion by Mr. Chip Crane and a second by Mrs. Pat Dickens, the Board **unanimously approved** the **General Fund 2298 Disbursements for February - June 2007**, in equal amounts of \$9,814,616 for each of the five months, shown as "Finance Attachment 1".

Upon a motion by Mr. Chip Crane and a second by Mr. Henry Thomas, the Board **unanimously approved** the **Education Enhancement Fund Disbursement for February 28**, from funds 4080 and 4110 in the total amount of \$ 3,213,260. See "Finance Attachment 2".

Upon a motion by Mr. Ed Perry and a second by Mr. Henry Thomas, the Board **unanimously approved** the **Revised 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan (2008 - 2012)** as shown in "Finance Attachment 3".

"Finance Attachment 4" shows correspondence from the State Auditor's Office announcing a recent **Property Audit** with no findings.

**Financial Statements for Funds 2291 and Special Funds**, as of December 31, 2006, are shown as "Finance Attachments 5a and 5b".

### Travel Authorizations

Mr. Walker asked if there were requests for travel reimbursements for events other than regularly scheduled Board meetings. Upon a motion by Mr. Ed Perry and a second by Mrs. Pat Dickens, the Board **voted unanimously** to approve travel authorizations, as follows:

Blanket approval for any members who attend the Legislative Luncheon that will be held on February 15, 2007.


Mr. Henry Hudspeth attended a Workforce meeting in Goodman on January 16, 2007.

### Other Business

Mr. Perry recommended that the staff poll nearby hotels for a lower rate, due to the fact that the Hilton has substantially increased their fees for rooms. He asked that a report be given at the February meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Henry Hudspeth and a second by Mr. Chip Crane to adjourn the meeting.

  
Mr. George Walker, Chairman

  
Dr. Wayne Stonecypher, Executive Director

**Exhibits and Finance Attachments**

*Mississippi Postsecondary Curriculum Frameworks* (proposed) ----- A  
Workforce Activity Report ----- B  
Location of Classes for Spring 2007 ----- C  
PEER Executive Summary regarding the Greenville Higher Education Center ----- D  
PEER Executive Summary regarding the Medical Clinics at Mississippi's Universities and  
Community/Junior Colleges ----- E  
PowerPoint Presentation entitled *Mississippi Integrated Workforce Performance System* ----- F  
Legislative Bill Summary (Direct/In Direct Bills) ----- G  
Mississippi Community College Transfer Students to IHL (report presented by Dr. Reggie Sykes) -- H